ature vehicles.

losers chærful.

The racers showed a model

many young lads from the

Soap-Box Derby next year.

line. Only two RCMP officers,

under whose direction the Scouts

worked, were needed to patrol

out them," said the police.

spoke briefly to the crowd.

of the Civic Centre building.

their own or else go barefoot.

"The Scouts helped a lot. We

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Prince Rupert's first entry in the provincial Soap-box Derby finals is 14-year-old Arthur Parent who last night rode to victory in the district derby against six other contestants.

And Arthur wanted nothing more. For a month he has been pionship held at Akron, Ohio. dreaming of the plane trip to Art even has thought of winhere has given him. Art, as his he guesses "it's pretty hopeless. pals all call him, left on this Not this time anyway." morning's flight and was met in Prince Rupert's enthusiast is who was sponsored by the Cana- games for "our side." Vancouver four hours later by a an avid aircraft hobbyist, designs dian Legion. Commerce welcoming committee but has never had the opporwho speeded him on his way to tunity to fly before. And that Mission where the B.C. final will was the "big reason I ran in the take place next week.

Art was sponsored here by the chance to fly to Vancouver."

"How do I feel? I say, grand. It's sure great," was about all Art could say when he was helped from his "box" after crossing the finishing line well ahead of his nearest rival, Jack Rudolph.

The Derby was run in seven heats, two racing at a time. More than a thousand spectators lined Second Avenue to view the first official Soap Box Derby held in Prince Rupert.

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Vancouver Junior Chamber of and builds his own model planes, derby," he says, "so I could get a

Besides winning the plane trip for himself and his car, Art was awarded a huge, tenpound silver trophy by Douglas Frizzell, manager of Frizzell's Motor Products Ltd., cosponsors of district derby. The winner's car will carry the name of the other sponsor, the Prince Rupert Daily News, which also gave him a gift to speed him on his way.

Only three weeks ago Art started to build his soap-box. He did judges. not know he would have a sponsor until then. The night before the race, he was up all night rushing his car to completion. He did not have a chance to test it before the race.

And Art spent most of last night awake too, for in the final heat, which declared him the ped and the brake was damaged. He had to make repairs by himself and be ready to leave this morning at 10.

"But I couldn't sleep anyway, thinking about the trip and everything," he said, with a wide

CONSOLATION

The losers, the near-winners of the Derby, didn't feel so bad, for they got a second chance. Master of ceremonies T. Norton Youngs announced a consolation race would be run by the balance of the racers.

That's where young Billy Watmough, Kinsmen candidate, shone as he scooted over the final finish line in his low model box. His prize was a silver cup trophy and a \$10 cheque awarded by

Ideal Cleaners and Laundry. All seven of the Derby entries had, at the most, a month in which to build their cars. Some were better in workmanship than others but looks didn't count in this race. Everyone of the racers





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helf teeth set and bodies pressed forward as though to give more speed to their unpropelled min-

example in sportsmanship, for the winners were modest and the Sunday evening and Monday afternoon the pick of Prince "Well, there's 'next year Rupert baseball players will pit again," said young Rudolph, a their strength against visiting close loser in both races. And All-stars from Ketchikan in an international Dominion Day spectator groups made up their bout. The visitors are being minds they would enter the flown here by Prince Rupert's baseball league.

Others in the Derby were Stan The Letourneau-Abel battery international play here. Parker, Gyro Club; Maurice Le- will start the game for Prince vacher, Holy Names Society; Rupert All-stars. They are no Brian Roberts, Rotary Club; doubt two of the heaviest ball Vancouver that winning the race ning that race, he confesses, but Richard Bury, Kinsmen. First players here as far as weight with Abel & Odowes for top poheat winners were Bury, Wat- goes and they have promised to sition in the league and now mough, Parent, and Rudolph, throw it all behind winning the again are tied, and they did it

Both games will run the full erson Thursday night. The entire race was conducted nine innings. Sunday's game will A shut-out loss, such as G&A so smoothly as though it had be played in the evening because suffered Thursday, is no disbeen rehearsed, and perhaps one the visitors won't arrive until grace, for in that case the game of the greatest parts played in late afternoon.

the Boy Scouts. Some 40 of them lected by the three team man- of ball, giving only one nit, but held ropes along either side of agers, Cornwell, Bill, and Si- he had good fielding support. the 1,000-foot race track on Sec- mundson,' to play infield for On the other hand, young ond Avenue to keep spectators in Prince Rupert:

> Sheir and Ernie Desonnier. Nick Pavilikis, left; Miner Si- made seven errors, three by mundson, centre, and Stan Corn- Hartwig at third base, and four

could hardly have managed with-Mayor G. W. Rudderham and ers are Bill Gunn and Andy accounted for three of the six Fred Conrad were finish-line Herb Morgan will be addition- were earned out Matthews.

J. D. McRae, MLA, presented al catcher, and relief pitchers Scherk is getting another the prizes and Doug Frizzell The racers began on a raised ramp at Third Street and Second Avenue and finished in front

Although Brazil's shoe indus- Anderson later on in the season. their pick of players to win this winner, his box suffered some try is biggest in Latin Ameri- Meanwhile, the Prince Ru- week-end. damage. A steering cable snap- ca, many rural Brazilians make pert-Smithers game in the interior town has been cancelled. If you want to sell it, advertise

ague of telem fectives work yesterday from the Smithers club that they felt an all-star team from here would be too strong for them. They are playing a Hazelton team instead.

However, Smithers suggeste they would come here to play a league team some time this

If transportation can be arranged, a full strength Prince Rupert team will visit Ketchikan on July 4 for a return match on Alaskan soil. Full details will be known after the week-end

In the inter-club plays, Co. mercials have been see-sawing over the backs of Girdon & And-

belongs to the pitcher. Don the success of the event was by The following have been se- Hawryink pitched a good game

Larry Matthews, pitching his Bill Sunberg, Cliff Dahl, Don first game of baseball, went al Scherk, Benny Windle, Doug the way and made a good of it, but he played the game First in the outfield will be almost singlehanded. His infield well, right field. spare outfield- by shortstop Don Scherk, which runs by the Hote, men. Two runs

are Larry Warner, Jack Sharpe, chance, though, to prove himself Don Hawryluk, Ray Zacharelly Sunday against Ketchikan. He is and Biliy Robinson, if he gets expected to play third base, His here, Robinson, a start pitcher batting average has been conlast year, is fishing commercial- sistent and high enough to rank ly this year, but is expected to with the starting all-stars, the be in town next Sunday. He is managers say. All three manslated to pitch for Gordon & agers will co-operate to lead

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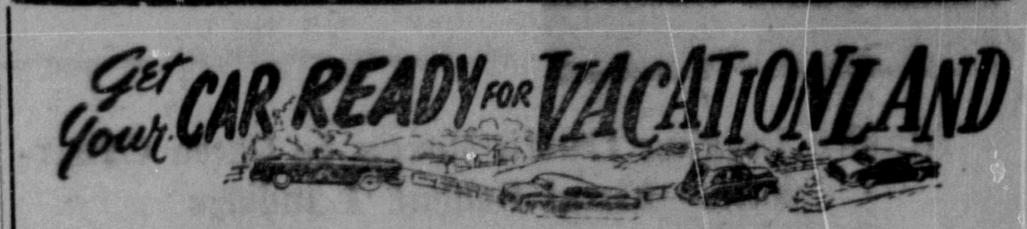
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